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# PARTITIONING A BASIC-M SOURCE PROGRAM

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**BASIC-M source programs may be such that their size or memory requirements render their compilation impossible due to the BASIC-M compiler design approach which assumes the source be wholly memory-resident at the time compilation is initiated. There are several methods which can be used separately or jointly to overcome this problem: use of the compiler-mode, use of the compiler "S" option to minimize the object code requirements, assignment of the Data Section, coding of constants as hexadecimal values, definition of integer or byte variables whenever possible, partitioning of the source into several modules to be compiled separately and chained at execution using the XDOS SCALL .CMND, . . . etc. This note describes how to partition the source into several modules which are compiled separately, and which may reside in ROMs in the final environment. It outlines the user-program design constraints, and illustrates the assembly routine used to call one module from another. We are restricting this study to a two-object module partition.**

## COMPILER CODE GENERATION

The following code is generated by the BASIC-M compiler at the beginning of each object program:

```
START CLRA
      LDS    #STACK Stack pointer and data section initialization
      JSR    INIT
      FCC    /VRR/ Runtime version/revision
      FDB    DSEC Start address of data section
      FDB    PSEC-START Offset to statement code
      ;
      DATA constants and array descriptors
      ;
      FCB    0
PSEC EQU    *      Beginning of statement code
      ;
```

## PARTITIONING THE SOURCE PROGRAM

Let's assume that the source needs to be partitioned in two modules, hereafter referred to as M1, and M2. M1 is the main module, i.e., it contains the object code to which control is transferred first. The following rules apply:

1. M2 must be written as a subroutine and therefore must terminate with a RETURN statement, unless control is not given back to M1.
2. The variables local to M1 and those local to M2 must reside in two distinct data sections, the origins of which are specified in the COMPILE command. Of course, the user must insure that the two data sections do not overlap. To that end, it is recommended to compile M1 first, and then to deduce the origin of the data section for M2 from the highest data section address of M1 as reflected in the symbol table issued on completion of the compilation of M1.
3. The global variables, i.e., those common to M1 and M2, must be explicitly defined in each module by a declaration statement to assign the variable absolute address (ADDRESS clause). It should be emphasized that such variables will not be initialized by the runtime package, therefore no assumption must be made as to their initial value.
4. All the DATA statements must reside in M1.
5. In order to obtain an accurate indication of error in the event one occurs, it is recommended (but not mandatory) that line numbers in M1 be distinct from line numbers in M2.
6. M1 statements cannot transfer control to a specific statement in M2, and vice-versa. It is only possible to call a secondary module (M2) from another module.
7. M1 cannot call user-written functions/procedures defined in M2, nor can M2 call functions/procedures defined in M1.

8. In order to transfer control to M2 from M1, an external assembly procedure, hereafter referred to as "CALLM2", needs to be declared in M1, and further activated when desired.
9. Statements which may implicitly transfer control from one module to the other must be deactivated prior to entering a given module and reactivated upon return from the called module. Those statements include:
  - .WHEN ... THEN
  - .ON ERROR THEN
  - .ON NMI (IRQ, FIRQ) THEN
  - .ON KEY ... THEN

### ASSEMBLY CONTROL ROUTINE "CALLM2"

This subroutine is listed in Figure 1. It supports a real or integer argument which dictates whether the data section of module M2 must be cleared or not upon entry in M2. Note that on the first call to CALLM2 one must specify no argument or an argument equal to zero so as to initialize the data section of M2. Not doing so may preclude the normal recognition of execution errors. Further calls to M2 may specify an argument different from zero if the user desires to preserve the data of M2 as set up by the previous call.

### EXAMPLE

The appendix contains a sample program to illustrate the procedures and rules described. A BASIC-M program has been split in two modules M1 and M2. M1 is intended to generate 100 random numbers in a vector A(100). M2 is aimed at printing a subrange of the same vector A between two subscripts K and L to be input at execution time. The example assumes that the BASIC-M runtime package starts at \$6500. The MERGE command concatenates the object modules CALLM2 (org \$2000), M1 (org \$2200), and M2 (org \$2800) into the final user code OBJECT, and forces the M1 origin as start address.

```

00001          NAM          CALLM2
00002          OPT          NOP,LLEN=120
00003          ORG          $2000

00005          * THIS SUBPROGRAM TRANSFERS CONTROL TO MODULE M2
00006          * BASIC CALL : CALLM2(ARG)
00007          * ARG IS AN OPTIONAL ARGUMENT, IF ARG = 0 OR ARG IS NOT SPECIFIED, THEN
00008          * THE DATA SECTION OF MODULE 2 IS CLEARED, IF ARG IS NOT 0, THEN THE DATA
00009          * SECTION IS NOT INITIALIZED, THE DATA SECTION OF MODULE 2 MUST BE
00010          * CLEARED UPON FIRST CALL TO THIS MODULE.

00012          START2 EQU    $2800      START ADDRESS OF MODULE M2

00014          RAMAD EQU     $20       VALID WITH BASICM 2.02 ONLY !
00015          *****
00016          * IMPORTANT : IN BASICM RELEASES HIGHER THAN 2.02, RAMAD IS DEFINED *
00017          * ===== IN THE FIRST TWO BYTES OF THE RUNTIME PACKAGE. *
00018          *****

00020          CALLM2 LDX    #START2
00021          LDY    %Y      CHECK IF ARGUMENT
00022          BEQ    L3       NO ARGUMENT, CLEAR DSCT.
00023          LDD    %Y      ARGUMENT=0 ?
00024          BNE    L1       NO, DO NOT CLEAR DATA SECTION
00025          LDY    L2,X    GET DSCT BEGINNING ADDRESS
00026          CLR    %Y+     CLEAR DSCT
00027          CMPY   3,X     DONE ? (DSCT END ADDRESS IS STACK INIT VALUE)
00028          BLS   L2       NOT YET.
00029          LDD   [RAMAD]  SAVE CURRENT PSCT ORIGIN OF CALLING MODULE
00030          PSHS   D
00031          STX   [RAMAD]  DEPOSIT PSCT ORIGIN OF MODULE CALLED
00032          LDD   L4,X     GET OFFSET TO PROGRAM ORIGIN
00033          JSR   D,X      CALL MODULE
00034          PULS   D       RESTORE PSCT ORIGIN OF CALLING MODULE
00035          STD   [RAMAD]
00036          RTS
00037          END

TOTAL ERRORS 00000-----00000
TOTAL WARNINGS 00000-----00000

```

FIGURE 1 - CALLM2

APPENDIX

=BASICM M1:0

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READY  
 LIST

```

00010 REM ----- MODULE M1
00020 REM ----- PSCT BASED AT $2200 *** DSCT BASED AT $600
00030 REM -----
00040 REM ----- GENERATE 100 RANDOM VALUES IN ARRAY A(100)
00050 REM ----- CALL MODULE M2 TO HAVE A SUBRANGE OF A(100)
00060 REM ----- LISTED (FROM ROW K TO ROW L)
00070 REM -----
00080 EXTERNAL CALLM2 ADDR $2000
00090 REM ----- COMMON VARIABLES DECLARATION
00100 REM ----- COMMON SECTION BASED AT $100
00110 INTEGER PASS ADDR $0100
00120 DIM A(100) ADDR $0102
00130 REM -----
00140 DATA "WE ARE NOW IN M2", "WE ARE NOW BACK IN M1"
00150 PASS=$0 \ INITIALIZE PASS TO 0
00160 FOR I=1 TO 100
00170 A(I)= RND
00180 NEXT I
00190 PASS=PASS+1
00200 CALLM2(PASS-1) \ ON FIRST CALL, DATA SECTION WILL BE CLEARED
00210 READ MSG$
00220 PRINT MSG$
00230 RESTORE
00240 GOTO 160
    
```

READY  
 COMPILER M,R=\$6500,D=\$600

NO ERROR

```

CALLM2.....E.....2000.....
PASS.....I.....0100.....
A.....R.....0102....1
I.....R.....0602.....
MSG$.....S.....0607.....
    
```

DSCT: 0600-0AD6 ... So let's start M2 DSCT at \$B00.  
 PSCT: 6EDA-7048

READY  
 QUIT  
 CREATE OBJECT FILE M1 .LO:0 (Y/N) ? Y

ENTER PROGRAM HEX ORIGIN (\$XXXX) : \$2200  
 =

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READY  
LIST

```

01000 REM ----- MODULE 2
01010 REM ----- PSCT BASED AT $2800 *** DSCT BASED AT $B00
01020 REM -----
01030 REM ----- IT PRINTS OUT A SUBRANGE OF ARRAY A(100)
01040 REM ----- DECLARE COMMON VARIABLES
01050 INTEGER PASS ADDR $0100
01060 DIM A(100) ADDR $0102
01070 REM -----
01080 READ M$
01090 PRINT M$
01100 PRINT USING 1110,PASS
01110 IMAGE "THIS IS PASS #[C]"
01120 INPUT "SUBRANGE K AND L : ",K,L
01130 IF K>L THEN 1120
01140 FOR INDEX=K TO L
01150 PRINT INDEX,A(INDEX)
01160 NEXT INDEX
01170 RETURN

```

READY  
COMPILE M,R=\$6500,D=\$E00

NO ERROR

```

PASS.....I.....0100.....
A.....R.....0102.....1
M$.....S.....0B02.....
K.....R.....0B22.....
L.....R.....0B27.....
INDEX.....R.....0B2C.....

```

DSCT: 0B00-0FE0  
PSCT: 6DEF-6F44

READY  
QUIT  
CREATE OBJECT FILE M2 .LO:0 (Y/N) ? Y

ENTER PROGRAM HEX ORIGIN (\$XXXX) : \$2800  
=

=MERGE CALL.M2.LO,M1.LO,M2.LO,OBJECT.LO;2200  
=BASICM DUMMY

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This is just for loading the Runtime at \$6500  
(default address)

READY  
QUIT  
SAVE (Y/N) ?N  
=LOAD OBJECT

.;P WE ARE NOW IN M2  
THIS IS PASS # 1  
SUBRANGE K AND L : ? 2 4  
2 9.15583223E-05  
3 6.40887301E-04  
4 3.11284885E-03

WE ARE NOW BACK IN M1  
WE ARE NOW IN M2  
THIS IS PASS # 2  
SUBRANGE K AND L : ? 99 101  
99 0.674710883  
100 0.876549642

\*\*\* ERROR # 19 AT LINE 1150 (index out of range)  
101 -4151162.5

WE ARE NOW BACK IN M1  
WE ARE NOW IN M2  
THIS IS PASS # 3  
SUBRANGE K AND L : ? 1 0  
SUBRANGE K AND L : ? 2 2  
2 0.932374047

WE ARE NOW BACK IN M1  
WE ARE NOW IN M2  
THIS IS PASS # 4  
SUBRANGE K AND L : ?  
STOP \*\*\* OPERATOR ABORT \*\*\*

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